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SIR,

WAS I not in ſome meaſure to take notice of the charge brought againſt me, concerning the ill effects of my *remedies*, and the dangerous quality of their compoſition, the world would naturally be induced to believe the twelve Caſes, ſo particularly aſcertained in your *Journal* on thurſday the 28th of November laſt, were inconteſtable facts.

The letter writer MISOQUACKUS, I am informed, is an *Apothecary*, and from an honeſt concern, as he declares, for the publick good, he ſends an account of the effects and nature of my remedy, and from no other inducement.

I am glad to find ſo diſintereſted a perſon, and hope that profeſſor of truth, that lover of mankind, will not take amiſs my publiſhing ſome affidavits on that head, to enable him to chide his informers, who have impoſed on his goodneſs.

He ſays nothing of all thoſe incurables who die in the operation of his own medicines, and thoſe of his brethren, tho' ordered by the moſt learned and experienced; were their various Caſes fairly ſtated within the bills of mortality but for one week, and the names of thoſe who had them under care, as alſo the quantity taken of *Boluſſes, Cordial Draughts*, &c. with the *expences* to the patients, and of the agonies of each afflicted perſon, attended with all the various ſcenes of death, it would be too moving a relation, notwithſtanding the indulgence and care of thoſe learned gentlemen, for each reſpective patient's relief or cure.

The progreſs my remedies have made for twelve years paſt, flatters me that mankind hath found ſome benefit by them: and ſince March laſt I have given them to upwards of twenty thouſand perſons, and can produce great numbers cured, who had been reduced to the laſt extremity, under the care of regular practitioners, and by them turned out of the hoſpitals as incurable.

But as men do not often gain belief, when they aſſert facts in which their own intereſt is ſuppoſed to be concerned, I have, ſince my arrival in England, kept a Journal of ſeveral extraordinary Caſes, where my remedies have had the good fortune to ſucceed; the names of the patients, with the reſpective places of their abode are inſerted, which Journal I am ready to ſhew to thoſe who have an inclination to be truly informed.

'Tis very remarkable, that upon ſo diligent and induſtrious a ſearch of MISOQUACKUS, only twelve perſons, amongſt ſo many thouſands, are found, who are ſuggeſted to have receiv'd any injury by my remedies; *two* of the twelve are living to anſwer for themſelves; and as to the other *ten*, it will appear to all impartial men, by theſe few affidavits, out of the many that have been ſent to me, that their deaths cannot be attributed to my remedies.

CASE III. Eliz. Moor, *ſervant to Mrs.* Burton *in King-ſtreet, near St. Ann's church, aged* 34, *ſubject to hyſteric fits, adviſ'd with Mr.* Ward *firſt of all on friday, July* 5, 1734; *he ordered her to take his pill; ſhe took one that night, which had no operation at all, ſo that ſhe went about her buſineſs. The tueſday night following ſhe took another, which operated no more than the firſt. Then ſhe went to Mr.* Ward *again, who adviſed her to take another, which ſhe did the next wedneſday night, being July the* 10*th; this operated no more than the others that night; but the next day ſhe was taken very ill at a neighbour's houſe, and was brought home in a coach, ſcreaming and crying out of an intolerable pain in her ſtomach and guts, declaring to her friends who ſtood by, that the pill had killed her. Her pulſe was ſcarcely to be felt, ſhe had cold ſweats, fell into convulſions, and died about three o'clock on friday morning the* 12*th.* *Middleſex.*

'*Ann*, wife of *Henry Coſters, Cordelia Turbet*, Spinſter, and *Mary*, wife of *John Du Barry*, jeweller, all 'of the pariſh of St. Ann Soho, jointly make oath and 'ſay, That they have all known *Elizabeth Moor*, late 'ſervant to Mrs. *Burton*, in King-ſtreet in the ſaid pariſh, 'for about twelve months laſt paſt, to the beſt of theſe 'deponents remembrance and belief, and have oft heard 'the ſaid *Elizabeth Moor* report to them theſe deponents, 'and others, that the ſaid *Moor* had been ſome time a 'patient in St. Thomas's Hoſpital for relief of her ill-'neſs, but was informed by the phyſicians of the ſaid 'Hoſpital, that ſhe muſt expect no cure.

'*All ſworn* 3 *Dec.* 1734, *be-* ANN COSTERS,
'*fore* THO. ROBE. CORDELIA TURBET,
MARY DU BARRY.

CASE IV. Heſter Staps, *a waiter at the Bagnio, Charing-croſs, aged about* 45, *of a moderate ſtrong conſtitution, and troubled with no other diſtemper but ſome ſcorbutic pimples, which uſed to break out ſpring and fall, would needs try* Ward's Panacea. *The firſt doſe, ſhe ſaid, vomited and purged her times beyond numbering, and brought upon her many diſorders: ſhe hoping, that repeating the like medicine would cure them, took a third doſe; but inſtead of curing them, it brought on a violent diſorder and pain in her head, loſs of appetite, an inward continual fever, or fever on the ſpirits, with great dejections and lowneſs of ſpirits, and continual griping pain in her bowels. She grew from hence pleuretic and pthiſical: but more than all theſe, the third doſe threw out all over her body a moſt violent leproſy. This diſeaſe ſhe never had any ſigns of before, but now it was ſo violent, that the ſcales which came off her were very offenſive. Thus ſhe miſerably waſted away, and the beginning of this month died; which was about two months from her taking the third doſe from Mr.* Ward.

'*Weſtminſter, Dec.* 12, 1734.

'*James Montjoy*, of the pariſh of St. Martin in the 'fields, Gent. ſayeth, That he applied to Mrs. *Haddock*, 'and three of the ſervants, at the Bagnio at Charing-'croſs, to know whether there was any truth in the re-'port of *Heſter Staps*'s death occaſioned by Mr. *Ward*'s 'remedies, when the ſaid Mrs. *Haddock* and the ſervants 'declared, they did not believe any ſuch thing, becauſe 'ſhe was in a declining ſtate of health, and had been re-'proved often by them for drinking ſuch quantities of 'brandy, eſpecially the day ſhe took the ſaid remedies.

'JAMES MONTJOY.

'Middleſex *and* Weſtminſter.

'*Richard Banes*, of the pariſh of St. Paul Covent-gar-'den, at Mr. *Henry Banes*'s, in Belton-ſtreet, maketh oath 'and ſaith, that he was well acquainted with *Heſter Staps*, 'lately deceaſed, for about three years before her death, 'who in her life-time was ſervant to Mr. *Richard Had-'dock*, who keeps the Bagnio near Charing-croſs, and 'that the ſaid *Heſter Staps* was in a languiſhing condition 'all that time, occaſioned, as this deponent believes, by 'her hard drinking and irregular way of living: and this 'deponent further ſaith, that he doth not believe Mr. '*Ward*'s *remedies* did her any harm; the rather, becauſe he 'was himſelf in a languiſhing condition ſeveral years, and 'had employed ſix of the moſt eminent ſurgeons, who 'ſalivated him twice, trepanned his ſkull, and tried ſeve-'ral other practices without giving him any relief; and 'this deponent having continual nocturnal pains in his 'legs, ſome of the ſaid ſurgeons told this deponent that 'his ſhin-bones were rotten, and his legs muſt be laid o-'pen; but this deponent refuſing to undergo ſuch a vio-'lent operation, did apply himſelf to Mr. *Ward*, and 'took his remedies, and was thereby reſtored to a perfect 'ſtate of health, which he now enjoys.

'*Sworn* 14 *Dec.* 1734, *be-* RICHARD BANES.
'*fore* THO. COTTON.

CASES V. and VI. John Wooten, *aged* 36, *and* Daniel *his brother* 34, *being pthiſical, took* Ward's *drop, and* Daniel *took one of his pills beſides. They both had the drop mixed in a decoction of raiſins, which they took near two months, but grew much worſe, and* Daniel's *pill burſt a veſſel within him in the working, and forced up a quantity of blood. He died about four days after, and his brother* John *the next day. They were chairmen in Lumley court in the Strand.*

Middleſex.

'*Elizabeth Wooten* and *Sarah Wooten*, of Lumley-court 'in the Strand, in the pariſh of St. Martin's in the fields, 'widows, joyntly and ſeverally make oath and ſay; and 'firſt, *Elizabeth Wooten* for herſelf ſaith, That her late 'husband *Daniel Wooten* has been ill and ailing ever ſince 'New-years day laſt, or thereabouts, and tried ſeveral 'phyſicians, more particularly thoſe of the Infirmary in 'Weſtminſter, but could get no relief from any; and 'this deponent ſaith, at laſt her husband applied to one 'Mr. *Ward* for ſome of his remedies, but this deponent 'apprehended he was dying when he took the ſame. 'And *Sarah Wooten*, the other deponent, ſaith, that her 'late husband, *John Wooten*, was in the Infirmary afore-'ſaid, and the phyſicians thereof told him he was a dy-'ing man, and that they could give him no relief: upon 'which he applied to Mr. *Ward*, and took of his reme-'dies. But theſe deponents both for themſelves ſay, 'they verily believe that Mr. *Ward*'s remedies never did 'their husbands any harm; and that what was inſerted 'in the Grub-ſtreet Journal of the 28th of November 'laſt, relating to their husbands, is falſe and groundleſs.

'*Both ſworn* 3 *Dec.* 1734, *be-* ELIZ. WOOTEN,
'*fore* THO. ROBE. SARAH WOOTEN.

CASE VII. *Mr.* T. King, *baker, in St. Giles's, about* 40 *years old, was conſumptive, but with the direction of an eminent phyſician grew better. He took one of* Ward's *pills the* 23*d of July laſt, which vomited him for three days, then turned downwards, and purged him as much, till it brought a quantity of blood with his ſtools, and the* 1*ſt of Auguſt he died.*

Middleſex.

'*Ann*, wife of *Thomas King*, baker, late of St. Giles's 'in the fields, deceaſed, maketh oath, that her late huſ-'band was languiſhing ever ſince Chriſtmas laſt, or there-'about, and in or about the month of May was deemed 'incurable by a very eminent phyſician; and ſometime 'in July laſt he took one of Mr. *Ward*'s pills, which both 'vomited and purged him, and he afterwards took ſeve-'ral medicines from an apothecary, and died the 1ſt of 'Auguſt following.

'*Sworn* 4 *Dec.* 1734, *be-* ANN KING.
'*fore* THO. ROBE.

CASE VIII. Samuel Gray, *middle aged, being ill of a conſumption in the pariſh work-houſe of St. George Hanover-ſquare, would needs take* Ward's *medicine; he died within an hour after taking the ſecond doſe.*

Middleſex.

'*Eliz.* wife of *Benj. Shelton*, late nurſe to *Samuel* 'Gray, deceaſed, who in his life-time was in the work-'houſe of St. George's Hanover-ſquare, took (by per-'miſſion of the phyſician of the ſaid workhouſe) one of 'Mr. *Ward*'s *drops*, which this deponent verily believes 'did not any ways hurt him or haſten his death; for this 'deponent ſaith, ſhe is of opinion he was a dying man 'before he took the ſame drop, he expiring in a few mi-'nutes after.

'*Sworn* 4 *Dec.* 1734, *before* THO. ROBE.
'*Witneſs* WILLIAM WALKER.
'J. LACEY.

CASE IX. *Marcum Cambell, about* 40 *years old, of Patin-ſtreet Hanover-ſquare, having an ague, took ſix doſes of* Ward's *medicine, but was made ſo ill by them, that being ſent three days after to the Infirmary at Hyde-park-corner, he could not there be relieved, but died in five days.*

Middleſex.

'*Katherine*, Wife of *Malcum Cambell*, late of Patin-'ſtreet, Hanover-ſquare, deceaſed, maketh Oath and 'ſaith, her late husband was afflicted with a fever and 'ague five weeks, and took two of Mr. *Ward*'s pills, 'which gave him great Relief; but being in ſuch very 'low Circumſtances that he wanted proper ſuſtenance of 'life, grew worſe and much weaker, and after taking 'five doſes more, was forced, through his aforeſaid po-'verty and want of common neceſſaries, to go into the 'Infirmary at Hyde-park-corner for his Support.

'*Sworn* 4 *Dec.* 1734, *before* THO. ROBE.
'*Witneſs* W. WALKER,
'J. LACEY.

CASE X. *Mrs.* Magee's *daughter, of Carnaby-market, about five years of age, was only ill of a raſh, took three doſes, and died the next morning after taking the third doſe, it never operating with her.*

Middleſex.

'*Suſannah Magee*, of Carnaby-market, widow, ma-'keth oath, that ſhe gave her daughter *Margaret* one of 'Mr. *Ward*'s pills on a thurſday, and one other of the 'ſame on ſaturday morning following, and the child 'continued very well till the friday after, and then was 'taken with a pain in her head and back, and died, as 'this deponent verily believes, of the *Small-pox*, and no 'other diſtemper: And this deponent ſaith, that ſhe gave 'another daughter one of the ſaid pills, which operated 'well, and ſhe has continued ever ſince in perfect health: 'And this deponent ſaith, that what has been inſerted 'in the news concerning her deceaſed child is entirely 'falſe.

Sworn 4 *Dec.* 1734, *before*
'THO ROBE. SUSANNAH MAGEE.

CASE XI. *Anne Eving, Servant to Mr.* Burton, *of Conduit-ſtreet, about* 30 *years old, had only ſcrophulous tumours on her neck, took five doſes of* Ward's *medicines, and died two days after taking the laſt doſe.*

Middleſex.

'*John Burton*, of Conduit-ſtreet, victualler, 'and *Re-*

'becca his wife, make oath, and say, that *Ann Evans* 'lately deceased lived with them as a servant about ten 'months, and was troubled near twenty years, as she 'informed them, with a swelled face; and these depo- 'nents further say, the said *Ann Evans*, before her taking 'any of Mr. *Ward*'s remedies, through a complication of 'distempers, was reduced to the lowest degree, notwith- 'standing her application to several eminent surgeons 'and physicians, who had before looked upon her as an 'incurable.

'*Both sworn* 4 *Dec.* 1734, JOHN BURTON
'*before* THO. ROBE. REBECCA BURTON.

CASE XII. *Mrs.* Gilbert, *who kept the horse-shoe ale-house, Essex-street, of a middle age and robust constitution, took one of* Ward's *pills the beginning of July last; it vomitted her* 34, *and purged her* 22 *Times. She sent for an eminent physician and apothecary the next day, who found her very feverish, thirsty, having continual reachings to vomit, violent pains in her belly, and, to be short, with all the symptoms of bowels a mortifying; and, what was almost as bad, the operation had caused a violent navel rupture. The physician used his utmost endeavours to assist her, but could get nothing to pass through her, but on the morrow night she miserably died.*

N. B. This is the case in which Dr. *Turner*, in the 13th page, represents in the following Words, *Dr.* D——d *told a friend of mine very lately, he had visited a woman with a navel rupture, brought upon her by the hard straining in the working of this pill of Mr.* Ward's.

'*Jane Clerke*, at present living at the golden cup in 'Drake-street near Red-lyon square, and heretofore a 'servant to Mrs. *Mary Gilbert*, deceased, who kept the 'horse-shoe ale-house in Essex-street in the Strand, came 'before me, one of his majesty's justices of the peace for 'Middlesex and Westminster, and voluntarily made oath 'before me, That she lived as a servant with the said 'Mrs. *Gilbert* upwards of five months before she died: 'and this deponent further sayeth, that to the best of her 'knowledge, after she had lived with the said Mrs. *Gil-* '*bert* about 4 months, some small time more or less, she 'cannot be positive, her said mistress said to this depo- 'nent, she was resolved to take Mr. *Ward*'s pill for a na- 'vel rupture she had; and this deponent saith, that she 'then represented to her said mistress, that she being a 'gross fat woman it might be dangerous, for that it was 'reported to be a violent remedy; upon which, she the 'said Mrs. *Gilbert* answered, kill or cure, I will take it; 'and accordingly the sunday following (after this discourse) 'she the said Mrs. *Gilbert* took one of Mr. *Ward*'s pills, 'and told this deponent that she found herself much the 'better for it: and this deponent further saith, that on 'the wednesday following her said mistress was put into 'a violent passion†, which when over, she told this depo- 'nent, that it had occasioned a great disorder as to her na- 'vel rupture, and shewed it at that time to this depo- 'nent, telling her, she had been troubled with it upwards 'of two years, and that her being obliged in her way of 'business to drink, she observed it did her a great deal of 'harm: and this deponent further saith, that before she 'took Mr. *Ward*'s remedy, she had taken several things 'from an apothecary for the before-mentioned rupture, 'but found no benefit by them, as she told this depo- 'nent: and this deponent further says, that her said mis- 'tress took in all, to the best of her knowledge, only 'three of Mr. *Ward*'s pills and one of his drops, the 'last of which pills and the drop were taken the same 'day: and this deponent says, that her said mistress told 'this deponent, that she was much better for the said pills 'and drop, and had eat much heartier since she made use 'of Mr. *Ward*'s remedies: and this deponent further 'says, the last time she took the pill and drop, her said 'mistress dined upon a hock of bacon and greens, * 'which this deponent would fain have dissuaded her from, 'apprehending it might be dangerous: and this deponent 'further says, that she saw her mistress (to her great sur- 'prise) eat six apples just after dinner that day, and then 'telling this deponent that she was going to visit a lying- 'in lady in the temple, she went out, and at her return 'home told this deponent she had been drinking of tea: 'and this deponent further says, that as Mrs. *Gilbert* was, 'about nine o' clock the same night, making a bowl of 'punch, she was suddenly taken ill, and immediately 'sent for a physician and an apothecary, who gave her 'some medicines, and the next day, after having taken 'them, she vomited very much, and died on the wed- 'nesday morning following.

, JANE CLERKE.

'*Sworn before me voluntarily*, 24 *Dec.*
'1734. THOMAS DEVEIL.

For the future I shall have no regard to the malicious invectives that may be thrown out against me, either in print or otherwise, having a much better employment for my time, in endeavouring to serve and relieve those whose miserable circumstances lead them to seek my assistance, which they shall cheerfully have; but as these clamours have been unjustly raised, on account of some persons, who took my remedies when they were at the point of death, tho' without my knowledge or advice, makes it necessary for me to declare, that I shall not, for the future, give my medicines gratis to any person, except such as come or send for them in an afternoon, recommended by a certificate signed by the minister, church-wardens or overseers for the parish to which they belong, setting forth the circumstances of the patient, and the distemper where- with they are afflicted: and for all those who are deaf, blind, or have any other disorders in the head, if they apply to me for relief, they must come on mondays and thursdays in the morning fasting.

The learned Dr. *Turner* amused the publick with many advertisements, that by a certain day he would publish the genuine *recipe* of my *remedies*; on friday the 13th instant; this *elaborate piece* appear'd, with a repetition of the above-mentioned twelve Cases in the Grub-street Journal, *and the Doctor's hearty thanks to the author*, which is, what he thinks, *the whole kingdom ought to do, for his industry in collecting those Cases, and that honest zeal he has shewn to safeguard his countrymen.* Whether or no the candid part of the nation will join with the Doctor in such grateful acknowledgment, I cannot pre- tend to determine; but if he knows as little of the *Ma- teria Medica*, as he doth of my remedies, have mercy on his patients, good Lord! for he hath not had the good fortune, so much as to guess any one ingredient in my remedies; wherefore I hope that whatever mischief may be done by following the *recipe* he hath published, will not be charged to me.

There are many passages in the Doctor's book, which I am obliged to pass over for want of time and room in this Paper, yet, that the publick may judge of the can- dour and veracity of this illustrious member of the Col- lege of physicians, (as he stands recorded in *Grub.* Numb. 269) I shall take notice of two Cases only.

'In page 19, he tells you of a poor woman who had 'had the opinion of several eminent surgeons, and after- 'wards was recommended to Mr. *Ward*, and took of 'his remedies with such success, that when Mr. D——e 'saw her some weeks after, he told him he was surpriz'd 'at it; but after this, out of curiosity, making her ano- 'ther visit, the aspect it seems was not so promising; 'since when she has been denied, and the surgeons not 'admitted to see her; but by the way, (adds he) this 'poor woman is since dead of the cancer'.

The person he points at is Mrs. *Thomas*, whom I grant was denied, but for this reason only; one day three per- sons came to her, pretending to be surgeons, one of which handled her breast so roughly, that she complained to me of it, and felt its ill effects for three weeks after; but is now in a fair way of recovery, and may be seen *alive* at my house in Pall-mall.

The other Case (page 20.) 'Is that of a gentleman's 'wife with a cancer, whom he says he visited, and had 'given offence, by asking if she had courage to part from 'her breast; and heard no more of her, 'till about a 'month or six weeks after, when he met her husband 'by accident, who told him she was almost well by tak- 'ing Mr. *Ward*'s *pills*; but he adds, by a distant en- 'quiry I hear she is dead also'.

How any Gentleman can publish such accounts on hearsay to injure another, is to me a surprise; for the Person meant is Mrs. *Maxwell*, at the *Dolphin Inn* in *Bishopsgate-street*, who is not only alive, but hath a fair prospect of a perfect cure.

For these and several other such like cases, the poor old Man, as the Doctor calls himself, would insinuate, that the government should interpose, and put a stop to administring my remedies: But I flatter myself, that they are rather inclined to thank me, and desire a con- tinuance of my care for the publick; and the more so, when they examine the Bills of mortality for the year 1734, which are decreased three thousand one hundred and seventy one: Some are good natured enough to say, I have not a little contributed to that diminution, and that perhaps without the help of my remedies, they might have increased as many thousands as they are decreased; because the learned have often declared, this has been a very unhealthy year.

He begs the publick to send him an account of all they know relating to the operation of my *remedies*; in this I join issue with him; a true and candid relation of the good and bad effects of them is what I have long wished for, but have had no opportunity to do it, having no time to write; the Doctor has. I am, Sir,

your humble servant,

JOSHUA WARD.

† *A* Quarrel.

* Those who take Mr. *Ward*'s remedies, are required by his printed directions, to refrain from milk, fruit and greens.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Post-Boy.*
DP. *Daily Post.*
DJ. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiser.*
SJ. *St. James's Evening Post.*
WE. *White-hall Evening Post.*
LE. *London Evening Post.*

THURSDAY, *Dec.* 26. Yesterday being Christmas day their majesties, &c. received the holy sacrament from the hands of the bishop of London, and afterwards made the usual offerings of gold, myrrh, &c. *P.* — Bishop of Durham. The rev. Dr. Gilbert preached. *DP. DA.* — The rev. Dr. George preach'd before the duke and the young princesses. *DA.*

Yesterday morning a higler's waggon from Sussex, was seized in Gracechurch-street, with between 4 and 500 lb. of tea. *DJ.* — *For* higler's *read* smuglers.

A monument is ordered to be erected in Westminster- abbey, in memory of the late countess of Clanrickard. *P.* — *It has been* erected *several days.*

Died, yesterday morning at 3, at his house in S. James's place, the right hon. earl of Bradford, in his 46th year. *P.* — About 4. *DP. DJ.* — And is succeeded by his next brother Richard, now earl of Bradford. *P. DP. DJ. DA.*

FRIDAY, *Dec.* 27. On wednesday morning the Wil- liam and Mary yacht sailed for Holland, to bring over his excellency Horatio Walpole, Esq; *C. DJ.*

A few days since about 100 yards of the north east end of the island of Portland sunk into the sea, by which the pier is in a great measure destroyed, at least it is com- puted that 4000 l. will not make good the damage. The sinking of this point of land had occasioned a crack a con- siderable distance in the island, which greatly alarmed the neighbouring inhabitants. *DJ.*

On wednesday morning about 2, a constable went with a warrant from the right hon. the lord mayor to a shoe- maker's in Queen-street, Cheapside, to search for the valet de chambre of a certain noble lord, who was charg'd with seducing away a young lady of 50,000 l. fortune, and a coheiress: the lord, who was her guardian, and two o- ther persons of quality, were with the constable; and be- ing directed up stairs, they found the valet de chambre and the young lady together; upon which the constable carried him to the Poultry-compter. She is but 14 years of age, and was married in a white frock, and hanging- sleeve coat. The ceremony was perform'd (as we hear) by a Romish priest near Lincoln's-inn-fields. The lord took away the young lady in a coach. *DP.* —— Mr. D—— valet de chambre to a noble lord near Soho-square. *DA. Dec.* 26. — *I hear, that the* young lady *is not a* co-heiress, *but an* heiress.

His grace the archbishop of Canterbury is well reco- vered from his late indisposition. *DP.* — *I believe he* is well, *tho' not* well recovered.

Died, on wednesday, in her 53d year, in Rathbone- place, Mrs. Fortescue, a widow gentlewoman, reputed worth upwards of 30,000 l. *DP.*

On tuesday night a car-man was flung from the shafts of his car in Hoglane near Shoreditch, when one of the wheels went over his body and killed him on the spot. *C.*

SATURDAY, *Dec.* 28. Dr. Holmes, president of St. John's coll. Oxford, is appointed one of his majesty's chaplains in ordinary. *LE.*

On thursday the provost and fellows of Eaton coll. u- nanimously elected the rev. Mr. Sumner, under master of that school, in the room of Mr. Good, who has re- sign'd. *LE.*

The late right hon. the earl of Bradford has left 20000 l. to —— Smith, of Bartlet-street, Esq; and 5000 l. to Mrs. Smith his mother. *DA.*

Married, on monday at Clapham, Jonathan Cotton, Esq; an eminent wholesale pewterer on the bridge, to miss Maidstone of Clapham, a lady with very great accom- plishments, with a fortune of 10,000 l. —— Yesterday morning, John Areskine, Esq; to miss Campbell, a young lady with a fortune of 15,000 l. *C.*

Early yesterday morning a boat was cast away in Chel- sea-reach, and a man, two women, and a young child, and the waterman were drowned. —— The same day a drayman unfortunately fell from his dray in Dean-street, Soho, and the wheel went over him, and crushed him to death on the spot. *DJ.*

MONDAY, *Dec.* 30. Yesterday the rev. Dr. Clarke preach'd before their majesties, the prince, and the two eldest princesses. *C. P. DJ. DA.* —— His majesty has been pleased to issue his conge d' elire to the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of Glouceſter, for elect- ing Martin Benson, D. D. to be bishop of that see. *C.* &c.

On friday a gentleman arriv'd here with a character from his highness prince Frederick of Hesse Cassel, with

deſign, as 'tis ſaid, to propoſe a marriage between prince William his ſon, and one of the princeſſes *DA.*

Yeſterday morning upwards of 100 Palatines who have been here ſome time, embarqued in a ſhip at the Tower, for the colony of Georgia. *P.*

On ſaturday Mr. Minney, who was lately married to one of the coheireſſes of the late Mr. Weſtern, a celebrated fortune and beauty, was brought to lord Bateman's in Soho-ſquare to ſettle his accompts with my lord, and was afterwards remanded back to the Compter, under a guard of the ſheriff's officers. *P.*

On wedneſday night laſt about a quarter paſt ten, Mr. Seedo, Organiſt of St. Martin's, (the French church in Cannon-ſtreet) coming from thence, was attack'd by four men dreſſed like ſailors near Doctors Commons, one of whom clapt his hand on Mr. Seedo's mouth, and ſtopt his ſpeech for the time; the other took him by the throat, tore down his ſhirt and ſtock, while the other 2 tore and rifled his pockets, and robb'd him of 5 l. 15 s. in money, a braſs-headed cane value 15 s. and a pair of gloves; then went away without ſaying a word, but only ſinging the black Joke. After they were gone Mr. Seedo called out Watch, Thieves, &c. but to no purpoſe, nobody caring to aſſiſt in ſearching after the rogues, though Mr. Seedo gave an account of himſelf, and where he might be further heard of. *DA. DP.*

Died, on thurſday, in his 30th year, Salusbury Lloyd, of Ledbrook in the county of Flint, Eſq; who repreſented the borough of Flint in the laſt parliament. *C.*

On ſaturday in the afternoon one Aaron Groves, an herb-man near Iſlington-church, hang'd himſelf on a broomſtick fix'd acroſs his chimney, ſo very low that he was on his knees. *DP.*

TUESDAY, *Dec.* 31. We hear, that near 40 petitions are preparing, in order to be preſented at the enſuing ſeſſions of parliament for undue elections. *DJ.*

To morrow being new-years day, there will be a ſplendid appearance of nobility, &c. to pay their compliments to their majeſties. *DJ.* —— *This* prophecy *is given more at large in the* P. *and I foretell the* completion *will be in all the* Papers *to-morrow.*

The right hon. the lord Vere Beaucleic, brother to the duke of St. Albans, member for Windſor, kiſſed his majeſty's hand on ſunday for the poſt of firſt commiſſioner of the navy. —— And Geo. Purvis, Eſq; member for Aldborough, as being appointed a commiſſioner in his ſtead. *P.*

Yeſterday morning the lady of the hon. Henry Pelham, Eſq; was ſafely deliver'd of a daughter, *C.* &c.

On ſunday morning laſt as a Graveſend boat was coming up the river, the maſter was blown over board, and after riſing twice, his boy (there being no other perſon in the boat) catch'd hold of him, but had not ſtrength to lift him in; however he kept his head above water whilſt he made a nooſe in a rope, which he put over his arm, and then faſtening it to the ſtern of the boat tow'd him near a mile, and brought him aſhore at Weſt Thurrock Salts near Grays: after a little time the man came to himſelf, and is in a fair way of recovery. *DP.* — The ſame day in the afternoon a boat was overſet in Long-reach, and one man drowned. *C.* — Yeſterday morning a boat going from Lambeth to Weſtminſter-bridge was overſet, and a man and a woman drowned; but the waterman ſaved himſelf by ſwimming. *P.* — The ſame day a wherry was caſt away facing Chelſea church, and ſeveral men drowned. *DA.*

The ſame day four malefactors were executed at Tyburn. *C. P. DP. DJ.*

WEDNESDAY, *Jan.* 1. Yeſterday there was a rehearſal at the Bell and Sun tavern in King-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, of the Ode for the new year, by Colly Cibber Eſq; &c. John Eccles Eſq; maſter of the king's band of muſick, is dangerouſly ill; and Mr. Gates, maſter of the children belonging to the chapel royal, is much indiſpos'd. *DJ.*

The parliament of Ireland is further prorogued to Ap. 15. *DP.*

Philip Gybbon Eſq; member for Rye in Suſſex, is talk'd of as a candidate for ſpeaker; Mr. Sandy's election being conteſted, he cannot put up for that high office. *DA.*

Yeſterday brigadier-general Churchill's running footman ran againſt the lady Moleſworth's, from the upper end of St. James's-ſtreet, to Edgworth gate, for 100 guineas, which he won by 6 minutes, performing it in an hour and 5 minutes; 'tis computed to be about 11 miles. *DP.*

Died yeſterday morning Mr. Arthur, maſter of White's chocolate-houſe in St. James's-ſtreet; he went to bed in ſeeming good health the night before. *DP.*

Yeſterday Williams, who ſhot his corporal, was executed in the Strand, oppoſite to Somerſet-houſe, and afterwards hung in chains on Turnham-green. *DJ. DA.* ——Facing Somerſet-houſe. *DA.* — *It ſeem'd to me to be neither* oppoſite, *nor* facing.

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Mr. BAVIUS, *London, Dec* 30, 1734.

IT was no little Pleaſure to me to read the notice given a day or two ago in the *Daily Advertiſer*, that a certain worthy perſon is determin'd for the future 'to 'give away his famous medicine only to ſuch patients, as 'ſhall bring a certificate from the miniſter and church-'wardens of their pariſh, that they are proper objects of his 'charity.' This is by ſome malicious perſons interpreted, as a deſign to leſſen the croud of miſerable people, that are conſtantly beſieging his door for relief from their ſeveral diſtempers. Others more charitably inclin'd, are apt to think, that this advertiſement is occaſion'd by a trifling miſcarriage or two, that has lately happen'd, as the death of two or three chairmen, and cook-maids, and ſuch ſort of weakly people; for whom, it ſeems, this medicine prov'd a little too rough in the operation. They apprehend therefore, that as the *miniſter and church-wardens* may be ſuppos'd to know the conſtitutions of the pariſh, much better than any other perſons, it will be an excellent means to prevent theſe accidents for the future, if their certificates were to run to this effect. —— *We the under-written do certify, that* N. N. *a poor perſon, belonging to the pariſh of* *may ſafely undergo a hundred ſtools, and as many vomits, without any detriment to the ſaid pariſh.*

But I, who have made it the buſineſs of my life to look into men, as well as ſtars, am well aware, that this proceeding of my honour'd friend is owing to a greater and nobler motive, that is, to charity for the ſouls of men. And I do hereby give notice to all whom it may concern, that the tenour of the certificate ought to be as follows: —— *We the under-written, the miniſter and church-wardens of the pariſh of* N. *do hereby certify, that* N. N. *inhabitant of this pariſh, is fitly prepar'd to take the* pill *and* drop, *having receiv'd the ſacrament according to the church of England, and receiv'd ghoſtly abſolution, and being in charity with all the world.* —— If the perſon have any thing to leave, it may not be amiſs to inſert theſe words, *having made his*, or *her laſt will and teſtament.*

I hope no body will diſpute, but that this is a more reaſonable certificate than the other, unleſs they ſuppoſe, that none but phyſicians and apothecaries are to be *miniſters and church wardens* for the future. And if it were neceſſary to confirm what I ſay, I could inform the world of the very occaſion of this advertiſement. It was the reading of the two following lines in *Othello.*

I would not kill thy unprepared ſpirit:
No, heav'n forfend! I would not kill thy ſoul.

Every body knows how moving that ſcene is to perſons leſs compaſſionate, and therefore may eaſily conceive the effect it would have on the mind of this tender-hearted and religious gentleman.

But I am ſenſible, that you may expect from me, not only on account of what is paſt, but likewiſe of what is to come; and therefore I ſend you the following predictions, which may be abſolutely depended upon. 1. All perſons who have right on their ſide, and are inclin'd to go to law, may be aſſur'd of carrying their cauſe, provided they firſt take the *pill*, and then apply to the proper court, or to that court which is moſt at leiſure. N. B. If the party be too weak to take the pill himſelf, any able-bodied attorney, or robuſt council learned in the law, may take it for him, and it will ſucceed as well, or rather better. 2. Phyſicians, ſurgeons, and apothecaries will appear much oftner at church this year, than uſual. 3. A bill will paſs this ſeſſions, to exclude all perſons from the benefit of the *pill*, unleſs they qualify themſelves according to the teſt-act. 4. Upon this the diſſenters will all conform to the church of England, except one apothecary with a very ſhort neck-cloth. —— This fully anſwers that ſcandalous inſinuation in the *Daily Courant* ſome time ago. 5. There will go to heaven this year, more than the laſt, *three thouſand one hundred ſeventy and one ſouls.* —— As the year will prove in other reſpects very ſinful, it is probable, as many thouſands more than uſual would have gone the contrary way, were it not for the charitable labours of this truly pious phyſician.

I am, Sir, your's, ISAAC BICKERSTAFF.

Ad MISOBIUM.

Pertæſum vitæ ſi forte infamia terret,
Cùm tibi ſtat laqueo, glande, vel enſe, mori;
Illæſâ famâ, rectà te ducet ad Orcum
Pillula cum *gutta*, quas tibi WARDUS habet.

Engliſhed.

Thou wilt not live, yet would'ſt not die
Under a brand of infamy,
Felon or lunatic declar'd,
Juſt as a Jury are prepar'd;
But undiſtinguiſh'd get away
Among the croud from hated day:
I'll tell thee, friend, what thou ſhalt do,
Take *pill* and *drop*; and down thou'lt go,
With decency, to ſhades below. U. C.

We have received *Letters* from DEMOCRITUS, TORRENTIUS, and LOVER OF WISDOM; and *Verſes* from MARTINUS, and P. W. B.

FOREIGN NEWS.

FRIDAY, *Dec.* 27. 'Tis forbid at Paris, under pain of the gallies, to hold any manner of diſcourſe about the ſtate of publick affairs. King Staniſlaus and Poland are words that muſt not be mention'd by a Frenchman, no more than the retreat of the allies under Cremona, nor the ſtory of marſhal Broglio's breeches. *DA.*

MONDAY, *Dec.* 30. —— *Petersburg, Dec.* 14. The Czarina is to ſend only 15,000 Ruſſians into the emperor's ſervice next ſpring; the court of Vienna having ſignified, that that number would be ſufficient. *C.*

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